Strafford Conservation Commission Minutes February 3, 2014

Present: Liz Evans Harmony Anderson Carolyn Page Dave Perkins Scott A. Young Randy Jacunski Kerry Omand Bruce Smith Susan Barnes

Opening and Introductions

The meeting was opened at 7:08 pm. A motion was made by Harmony and seconded by Dave to accept the January 2014 **minutes.** Approved.

Guest Presentations

National Guard Firing Range A discussion was held in response to a document given to us by Cal Schroeder concerning the proposed firing range. Bruce took the document to study.

Old Business

Post site walk approval of Conservation Funds for several projects.

Harmony pointed out that we never voted on the proposed conservation easements after we did the site walks. Results of the discussion are as follows:

MOTION: Scott moved that the Conservation Commission spend up to \$12,000.00 for the easement costs on the Brown property on Bow Lake. Seconded by Susan. Approved.

MOTION: Scott moved that the Conservation Commission spend up to \$15,000.00 for the easement costs on the Sumerfield property off of First Crown Point Road. Seconded by Dave. Approved.

MOTION: Kerry moved that the Conservation Commission spend up to \$11,000.00 for the easement costs on the Ossoff property along Provence Road, east. Seconded by Randy. Approved.

MOTION: Carolyn moved that the Conservation Commission spend up to \$34,000.00 for the easement costs on the Crooked Run Boy Scout property along Province Road, west. Seconded by Scott. Approved.

IRCR- Harmony walked the loop and noticed that the plowed parking lot and trails are being used.

Scott would like a work day set for the latter half of March to clear brush from base of trees and prune broken branches.

Kerry said that the snowmobile club saw that cross-country skiers are using the Cow Path to get down to the snowmobile trail. They wanted to know if we would like the Path groomed by their equipment. They will have to walk the trail to see if it is possible.

Evans Mountain – We have made phone contact with Kristen Hales, the woman who knows the old trails between Evans and Parker Mountains.

Town Forest – The plowed parking lot is being used.

New Business

Cons Comm additions to the Town Website- Carolyn asked that everyone take a look at the Conservation Commission's web pages in other towns, especially Barrington to see what improvements we can have made to ours.

Annual Report- Harmony has sent a draft of the 2013 Conservation Report to Liz.

Next Meeting: Monday, March 3 7:00 pm. Town Hall

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Enz Page